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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on June 8, 2006, the period for response having been extended herein to October 10, 2006, by payment of the requisite fee for a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. \$1.136(a), please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.